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Examining Group. 3726

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Serial No. : 09/585,568

Group Art Unit: 3726

Filed : June 2, 2000

Examiner: M. Jimenez

For : ELASTIC ROLLER AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SAME

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in the above-captioned application.

- ___ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.
___ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
___ A Request for Extension of Time.
X No Additional Fee.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

Claims After Amendment	No. Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
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Total Claims: 58	*58	0	x 9=	\$	x 18=	\$0.00
Indep. Claims: 2	**3	0	x 42=	\$	x 84=	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims Presented			+140=	\$	+280=	\$0.00
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___X___ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17, including any required extension of times fees in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission (37 CFR 1.136)(a)(3)

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Responsive to the Final Office Action of December 26, 2002, the period for response extending until March 26, 2003, reconsideration of this action and allowance of all the claims of the present application are respectfully requested and are now believed appropriate in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1, 2, 4 - 27, and 29 - 60, which are currently pending, including the instant amendments to claims 1 and 42, are provided as follows:

1. (Four times amended) An elastic roller comprising:
a hard roller core;
an elastic coating layer at an outer side of said hard roller core;
said elastic coating layer comprising an elastic matrix material and fillers imbedded